

**STATE WATER BOARD**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
May 2, 2006

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Tam M. Doduc, Chair called the meeting to order on May 2, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. in the Coastal Hearing Room, 1001 I Street, Sacramento, California.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Tam M. Doduc, Gerald D. Secundy and Arthur G. Baggett, Jr.

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

None

**STAFF PRESENT**

Celeste Cantú, Executive Director  
Tom Howard, Deputy Director  
Bill Rukeyser, Office of Public Affairs  
Liz Kanter, Office of Public Affairs  
Chris Davis, Office of Public Affairs  
Sheila Vassey, Office of Chief Counsel  
David Boyers, Office of Chief Counsel  
Ted Cobb, Office of Chief Counsel  
Betsy Jennings, Office of Chief Counsel  
Barbara Leidigh, Office of Chief Counsel  
Alex Meyer, Office of Chief Counsel  
Marleigh Wood, Office of Chief Counsel  
Debbie Matulis, Office of Chief Counsel  
Roni Dickerson, Office of Chief Counsel  
Julie Olson, Office of Chief Counsel  
Dolores White, Office of Chief Counsel  
Steven Blum, Office of Chief Counsel  
Bryan Brock, Office of Statewide Initiatives  
Judy Reid, Division of Financial Assistance  
Dale Oliver, Division of Water Rights  
Miles Burnett, Division of Administrative Services

Beth Jines, Deputy Director  
Michael Lauffer, Chief Counsel  
Song Her, Clerk to the Board  
Carmencita Sannebeck, Asst. Clerk to the Board  
Daniel Merkley, Executive Office  
Pamela Creedon, Central Valley Water Board  
Rik Rasmussen, Division of Water Quality  
Ken Harris, Division of Water Quality  
Joanne Cox, Division of Water Quality  
Joanna Jensen, Division of Water Quality  
Dominic Gregorio, Division of Water Quality  
James Giannopoulos, Division of Water Quality  
Mary Tappel, Division of Water Quality  
Sharon Collins, Division of Water Quality  
Greg Frantz, Division of Water Quality  
Steve Saiz, Division of Water Quality  
Val Connor, Division of Water Quality  
Glenda Marsh, Division of Water Quality  
Bruce Fujimoto, Division of Water Quality  
Julie Chan, Division of Water Quality  
James Smith, Division of Water Quality

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

~Evacuation Information in case the fire alarm goes off during the meeting.  
~Item 7, SSORP will not be heard before 1:00 p.m.

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**CUSTOMER SERVICE AWARDS**

~**David Boyers** was awarded the Sustained Superior Accomplishment Award for his ongoing work performance in the Office of Chief Counsel for contributions protecting groundwater resources.

Boyers continuously provides high-quality and prompt legal services to his clients in the State Board's Underground Storage Tank Program. Boyers has a tremendous ability to understand, mediate and effectively resolve diverging viewpoints, Chief Counsel Michael Lauffer said. Boyers has demonstrated exceptional proficiency in creating and developing legislative approaches and language. For example, Boyers wrote many provisions of Assembly Bill 2481, including the groundbreaking requirements that resulted in the first significant advances in the Underground storage tank construction standards. He was also responsible for initiating several legislative changes necessary for California's Underground Storage Tank Program to obtain state program approval from U.S. EPA. Boyers' superior work has resulted in a significant service not only to staff of the UST program and the Water Board but also to the people of the State of California, Lauffer said.

~**Judy Reid**, Division of Financial Assistance, earned a Sustained Superior Accomplishment Award for her outstanding job performance administering special programs with in the Underground Storage Tank cleanup fund for the past six years. Reid has been the lead analyst for special programs funded through the Underground Storage Tank cleanup fund. As the coordinator for several programs, Reid responds to funding requests, determines eligibility, prepares contracts and tracks funding. Her professionalism, dedication and organizational skills have streamlined and transformed the enormous workload. Regulators have also praised Reid's knowledge and willingness to go the extra mile when explaining the program's requirements. Reid has a positive attitude and earned

~Two environmental scientists, **Steve Saiz** and **Val Conner**, Division of Water Quality, were honored for Sustained Superior Accomplishments. Steve Saiz was honored for the scope and complexity in which he addresses each assignment. Saiz is credited with deriving scientifically based numeric Water Quality Objectives for the protection of human health for the State's 2001 *California Ocean Plan*.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Tacy Currey, California Association Resource Conservation District (CARCD), asking for the 2004-05 (and previous) Consolidated Grant Program to be heard in the next Board meeting.

Patrick Schlesinger and Steve Nation, University of California, addressed the 2005-06 Consolidated Grant Guidelines and asked for it to be put back on the agenda. Chair Doduc suggested to Mr. Schlesinger that he talk to Ms. Cantú and Mr. Lauffer for clarifications. The board requested an update at the next board meeting.

Bill Jennings, California Sportfishing Protection Alliance (CSPA), addressed concerns with changes in the NPDES unit in Central Valley Water Board.

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*(Chair Doduc introduced several Regional Board members in the audience: Gary Carlton, State Water Board, retired; Dr. Karl Longley and Dan Odenweller, Central Valley Water Board)*

**MINUTES**

**Motion:** Vice Chair Secundy moved to adopt the [April 5](#) and [April 18](#), 2006 minutes.  
**Seconded by:** Member Baggett

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Aye:** Board Chair Doduc  
Vice Chair Secundy  
Member Baggett

**INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

**1. Board Member Report (None)**

**2. Status update on the efforts of the Storm Water Panel evaluating the feasibility of developing numeric storm water limits or other measurable objectives for inclusion in storm water permits**

Bruce Fujimoto, Division of Water Quality, presented the background information item to the Board along with Brian Currier, California State University, Sacramento (CSUS), Office of Water Programs and Dr. Michael Stenstrom University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA).

Member Baggett recommends two workshops be held in June for the above item, one in the Northern and one in the Southern part of California to accommodate interested persons.

**WATER QUALITY**

**3. Report by Dr. Karl Longley, Central Valley Water Board Member, on Central Valley Salinity Committee ([Presentation](#))**

**Commenters**

Bill Jennings, CSPA

**4. Consideration of a resolution approving an amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basins incorporating a program for control of diazinon and chlorpyrifos runoff into the Lower San Joaquin River**

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Glenda Marsh, Division of Water Quality, presented the item to the Board along with Steve Blum, Office of Chief Counsel.

**Motion:** Member Baggett moved to adopt the proposed resolution.

**Seconded by:** Vice-Chair Secundy

**MOTION CARRIED (Resolution [2006-0025](#))**

**Aye:** Board Chair Doduc  
Vice Chair Secundy  
Member Baggett

**Commenters**

*(Chair Doduc read a statement in support by Mr. Rentz, Department of Pesticide Regulation, who had to leave early.)*

Bill Jennings, CSPA  
Maria Rea, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, San Francisco  
Bill Thomas, DOW Agrosiences

**5. Consideration of a resolution approving an amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Region to incorporate a total maximum daily load for dissolved copper, lead, and zinc in Chollas Creek ([Map](#))**

Greg Franz, Division of Water Quality, presented the item to the Board along with James Smith, Environmental Scientist, DWQ; Julie Chan, Senior Engineer, DWQ; and Steven Blum, Office of Chief Counsel.

*(Before the Board made a decision, Mr. Lauffer conferred with the DWQ and San Diego Regional Water Board staff. The Board meeting reconvened at 1:30 p.m.)*

Both Chair Doduc and Vice Chair Secundy were ready to make a decision, but since there was a concern with the recirculation and comment period for the CEQA document, Chair Doduc asked for a remand. Vice-Chair Secundy wanted a time-line from staff.

Mr. Lauffer suggests leaving findings 5 and 6. Strike findings 3, and 7 through 12 and replace with the new findings “During the State Water Board’s consideration of this item, the City of San Diego raised concerns about the adequacy of the San Diego Water Board’s compliance with its certified regulatory program requirements to implement the California Environmental Quality Act. While the State Water Board does not agree that the San Diego Water Board failed to adequately consider the significant environmental points, the State Water Board remands this Basin Plan amendment so that the San Diego Water Board, in the first instance, can consider the comments of interested persons on the substitute environmental document”. The resolved clause will be stricken and replaced with “THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Pursuant to Water Code section 13245, the State Water Board hereby remands the Basin Plan amendment to implement a metals TMDL for Chollas Creek for further deliberations consistent with the State Water Board’s regulations and applicable laws”.

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Chair Doduc includes a request that the TMDL be acted on by the San Diego regional water board within 3 months. Member Baggett requested an amendment to the remand resolution stating that additional compliance time should be provided, similar to metals TMDL in the Ballona Creek and Los Angeles River watersheds. The amendment offered by Chair Doduc was accepted into the motion. The amendment offered by Member Baggett was not accepted into the motion.

**Motion:** Vice Chair Secundy moved to adopt the proposed resolution with remand.

**Seconded by:** Chair Doduc

**MOTION CARRIED (Resolution [2006-0026](#))**

**Aye:** Board Chair Doduc  
Vice Chair Secundy  
Member Baggett

**Commenters**

Maria Rea, US Environmental Protection Agency  
Linda Sheehan, California Coastkeeper Alliance  
Ivan Karnezis, Department of Transportation  
Randal Friedman, United States Navy  
Scott Tulloch, City of San Diego  
Patti Krebs, Industrial Environmental Association  
Chris Ziricle, City of San Diego  
Tim Miller, City of San Diego  
Tom Zeleny, City of San Diego

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

**6. Consideration of a resolution authorizing issuance of a \$4 million installment sales agreement contract and amendments thereto from the Agricultural Drainage Management Loan Program to the Panoche Irrigation District for an irrigation system improvement project**

**Motion:** Member Baggett moved to adopt the proposed resolution.

**Seconded by:** Vice-Chair Secundy

**MOTION CARRIED (Resolution [2006-0027](#))**

**Aye:** Board Chair Doduc  
Vice Chair Secundy  
Member Baggett

**STATEWIDE INITIATIVES**

**7. Consideration of adoption of statewide general waste discharge requirements for publicly owned sanitary sewer systems**

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Bryan Brock, Office of Statewide Initiative, presented the item ([slideshow](#)) to the Board along with Sheila Vassey, Office of Chief Counsel.

The Board adopted STATEWIDE GENERAL WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR SANITARY SEWER SYSTEMS and the associated monitoring and reporting program by issuing ORDER NO. 2006-0003, on May 2, 2006. Order adoption was contingent upon monitoring and reporting changes and other minor changes to the WDR that were presented by staff at the meeting. Additionally, time schedule changes presented by staff at the meeting were discussed and slightly altered by the Board members. The time schedule allows for an additional six months for most of the compliance schedule tasks, but the additional time allowance is dependant upon executing a memorandum of agreement, by July 1, 2006, with a statewide wastewater organization providing online SSO database and SSMP development training.

**Motion:** Vice-Chair Secundy moved to adopt the proposed resolution.

**Seconded by:** Chair Doduc

**MOTION CARRIED ([Water Quality Order 2006-0003](#))**

**Aye:** Board Chair Doduc  
Vice Chair Secundy

**Opposed:** Member Baggett

**Commenters**

Bobbi Larson, California Association of Sanitation Agencies (CASA)

Doug Humphrey, Bay Area Clean Water Agencies (BACWA)

Robert Reid, West Valley Sanitation District of Santa Clara

Sharon Green, Sanitation District of Los Angeles County

Yvonne Hunter, League of California Cities

Melissa Thorme, West County Wastewater District (WCWD)

Warren Tellefson, Central Valley Clean Water Association

Many Pitto, Regional Council of Rural Counties

Bill Brennan, Central Contra Costa Sanitary District

Patrick Hassey, Central Valley Clean Water Association

Paul Causey, self

*(Chair Doduc read Mr. Norton's (who had to leave early) comments into the record)*

John Norton, State Water Board, retired

Maura Bonnarens, California Water Environmental Associations

Ken Greenberg, US Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9

Linda Sheehan, California Coastkeeper Alliance

**ADJOURNED**

**The Board meeting adjourned at 3:58 pm**

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